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Re: City of Huntsville - Von Braun Center

On May 20, 2016, my Office received your petition under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3 regarding a possible violation of Alabama law by the City of Huntsville. Specifically, you alleged that the City posted signs prohibiting firearms at the Von Braun Center.

My Office's investigation confirmed that the City of Huntsville posted the signs. I asked the City to explain its legal justification for prohibiting firearms. The City of Huntsville reviewed a redacted copy of your petition and the relevant portions of Alabama law and provided justification for the signs. My Office's investigation confirmed that the Von Braun Center now houses the headquarters for the Huntsville Police Department Bike Patrol. Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.2(a)(1) provides that weapons may be prohibited "[i]nside the building of a police, sheriff, or highway patrol station."

Because the City of Huntsville is compliant with Alabama law, I have determined that there is no further action required under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3.

A redacted copy of this letter will be posted to my Office's website, in compliance with the statutory requirement under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3(f)(3).

Sincerely,

Steven T. Marshall Attorney General

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